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## Department of Printing first to top national productivity rankings for third consecutive year

OLYMPIA—The Washington State Department of Printing (PRT) is the first in-plant printer in the United States to be ranked number one in productivity three years in a row by *In-Plant Graphics* (IPG) magazine.

An in-plant is a printing department operated within a company, government office or university.

According to the 2003 "Top 50" report in the December 2003 issue of *In-Plant Graphics*, PRT employees continue to produce more per person than the staff of any other in-house printer in the country, surpassing plants operated by several Fortune 500 companies.

The annual *In-Plant Graphics* "Top 50" is the most complete listing of leading in-house printers in the nation. Overall rankings on the list are calculated from the annual sales revenue and number of employees at each in-plant.

This is the third year the Department of Printing has been included in the IPG Top 50. In addition to the record-breaking ranking in productivity, PRT is listed in the top 10 in other important categories such as the number of jobs produced annually.

"I am pleased with the national recognition from *In-Plant* magazine," said Interim Director Larry Weber. "This acknowledgment is a direct reflection of the Department of Printing employees' hard work, dedication and commitment to customer service. It is especially gratifying to know that *In-Plant* recognized our employees' accomplishments for the third consecutive year. I am proud of the Department of Printing employees and their commitment to excellence."

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